

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A device for producing expanded flat material. The device includes a first conveyor structured and arranged to guide a first lateral edge of a web vertically upward with respect to a horizontal plane, and a second conveyor structured and arranged to guide a second lateral edge of the web vertically downward with respect to the horizontal plane. A spacing between the first conveyor and the second conveyor increases in a direction of advancement of the web. The instant abstract is neither intended to define the invention disclosed in the specification nor intended to limit the scope of the invention in any way.